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SUBJECT: ECE 33RD SESSION - DRAFT U.S. STATEMENT

FROM KAHN FOR WILLIAMSON

FOLLOWING IS DRAFT STATEMENT PREPARED FOR DELIVERY BY
U.S. DELEGATE EARLY IN 33RD SESSION. MISSION COMMENTS
AND SUGGESTIONS INVITED. BEGIN TEXT:

1. MY DELEGATION APPRECIATES THE INFORMATION AND
ANALYSIS WHICH HAS BEEN PROVIDED BY THE EXECUTIVE
SECRETARY IN HIS STATEMENT. AS ALWAYS, IT CONTAINS KEEN
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INSIGHT INTO THE ECONOMIC PROBLEMS CONFRONTING THE REGION,
AND THE ROLE WHICH THE COMMISSION CAN PLAY IN PROMOTING
ECONOMIC COOPERATION AMONG MEMBER COUNTRIES. WE ALSO
WELCOME THE SECRETARIAT REPORTS PRESENTED TO THIS SESSION
CONCERNING CURRENT AND FUTURE ACTIVITIES OF THE COMMISSION,
ESPECIALLY THOSE RELATED TO ITS RESPONSIBILITIES IN
IMPLEMENTING RELEVANT PORTIONS OF THE FINAL ACT OF THE

CONFERENCE ON SECURITY AND COOPERATION IN EUROPE.

2. MY GOVERNMENT, AS A SIGNATORY TO THE FINAL ACT AND A PARTICIPANT IN THE RECENT BELGRADE CONFERENCE, GIVES ITS FULL SUPPORT TO THE COMMISSION IN FULFILLING ITS CSCE RESPONSIBILITIES. ALTHOUGH THE CONCLUDING DOCUMENT FROM THE

BELGRADE CONFERENCE CONTAINS NO SUBSTANTIVE PROVISIONS RESPECTING BASKET II, THERE WAS NEVERTHELESS A FULL, FRANK AND USEFUL EXCHANGE OF VIEWS AT THE CONFERENCE ON ALL ASPECTS OF BASKET II. IN ADDITION, THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S SPEECH AT BELGRADE PROVIDED A COMPREHENSIVE VIEW OF THE EXTENT TO WHICH THE COMMISSION HAS DIRECTED ITS EFFORTS, FOR THE PRESENT AND WELL INTO THE FUTURE, TOWARD CARRYING OUT ITS CSCE RESPONSIBILITIES. THE FACT THAT ECE WAS NOT MENTIONED IN THE CONCLUDING DOCUMENT CANNOT BE TAKEN AS INHIBITING IN ANY WAY THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION IN THE FUTURE. INDEED, THERE WAS GENERAL AGREEMENT AT BELGRADE ABOUT THE CONSTRUCTIVE WORK ALREADY UNDERTAKEN BY THE COMMISSION IN CARRYING OUT ITS CSCE RESPONSIBILITIES AND A DESIRE TO ENCOURAGE AND ENHANCE THIS WORK IN THE FUTURE.

3. LOOKING AT THE COMMISSION'S OVERALL WORK DURING THE PART YEAR, WE ARE ESPECIALLY IMPRESSED WITH THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN THE ENVIRONMENTAL SECTOR, BOTH BY THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SECRETARIAT AND THE SENIOR ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORS. WE HOPE THAT THE COMMISSION, TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THIS GROUND-WORK, WILL BE ABLE TO REACH A DECISION AT THIS SESSION ON THE NEXT APPROPRIATE STEPS IN DEALING WITH THE QUESTIONS OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION BEFORE US. WE HAVE ALSO BEEN PLEASED AT THE COMMISSION'S RESPONSE THUS FAR TO DECISION H ON GENERAL ENERGY PROBLEMS. COMPLETION OF THE CURRENT STUDY ON NEW ISSUES IN THE MEDIUM AND LONG TERM, INCLUDING DEVELOPMENT OF A COMPREHENSIVE ENERGY BALANCE MODEL FOR THE ENTIRE REGION, MUST, IN OUR VIEW, PROVIDE THE FOUNDATION FOR -- INDEED BE PRECEDENT TO -- ANY ADDITIONAL WORK BY THE COMMISSION IN THE ENERGY SECTOR.

4. WE ARE ALSO PLEASED TO NOTE THE POSITIVE RESULTS OF THE MARKETING SEMINARS HELD UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF TRADE AND THE PROSPECTIVE COMPLETION OF THE COMMITTEE'S INVENTORY OF OBSTACLES TO TRADE -- COMPLETION OF WHICH IS TO BE FOLLOWED BY AN EXPERTS MEETING ON THIS SUBJECT. IN THIS CONNECTION, I WOULD LIKE TO EMPHASIZE THAT SUCH ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IS TO THE MUTUAL BENEFIT OF ALL TRADING PARTNERS IN THE

REGION.

5. IN THE FINAL ANALYSIS, IT IS THE EXTENT AND QUALITY OF THE INFORMATION EXCHANGED THROUGH THE COMMISSION WHICH HAVE PROVIDED THE BASIS FOR THE EXTENSIVE AND SUCCESSFUL COOPERATION WITHIN THE ECE. THROUGH SUCH COOPERATION THE COMMISSION HAS SERVED AS A MAJOR BRIDGE BETWEEN EAST

AND

WEST. THIS 33RD SESSION HAS BEFORE IT THE OPPORTUNITY TO CARRY FORWARD THE RESPONSIBILITIES CONFERRED ON THE COMMISSION BY THE FINAL ACT AND REVIEWED WITH SUCH THOROUGHNESS AT THE BELGRADE CONFERENCE. THE OPPORTUNITIES BEFORE THE COMMISSION FOR FOSTERING AND LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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IMPLEMENTING CONCRETE, USEFUL ECONOMIC COOPERATION IN THE ECE REGION ARE GREAT. SUCH COOPERATION ALSO PROVIDES THE OPPORTUNITY TO CONTRIBUTE TO A POST-BELGRADE RECORD OF IMPLEMENTATION OF THE FINAL ACT. THE UNITED STATES WILL FIRMLY SUPPORT THE ECE AS IT SEEKS TO CARRY OUT ITS CSCE RESPONSIBILITIES IN THE POST-BELGRADE PERIOD. END TEXT.

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